

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Stephen M. Brinich
KIICHIRO TAKAHASHI ET AL.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2624
Application No.: 09/678,020	)	
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Filed: October 4, 2000	)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS	)	
AND IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD :		January 9, 2007

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

A. Introductory Remarks

I. Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 9, 2006, for two months from November 9, 2006, to January 9, 2007. The fee of \$450.00 for the extension is submitted herewith via deposit account 50-3939.

II. This is in response to the Office Action dated August 9, 2006, the period for reply having been extended by the above petition and payment of the extension fee. Please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.